

LLW disposal facilities. The NRC believes that because there would be no health and safety benefit from the proposed change in requirements, it is inappropriate to take an action which could have an adverse impact on the timely development of safe LLW disposal facilities.

For reasons cited in this document, the NRC denies the petition.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 9th day of December, 1996.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.  
James M. Taylor,  
*Executive Director for Operations.*  
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## FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

### 12 CFR Parts 207, 220, and 221

[Regulations G, T, and U; Docket No. R-0944]

#### Securities Credit Transactions

**AGENCY:** Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule; extension of comment period.

**SUMMARY:** The Board is extending the comment period on its proposal to amend its margin regulations, Regulations G, T, and U, to give the public additional time to comment on the proposal. The Secretary of the Board, acting pursuant to delegated authority, has extended the comment period from December 26, 1996, to January 31, 1997, to give the public additional time to provide comments.

**DATES:** Comments should be received on or before January 31, 1997.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should refer to Docket R-0944, and may be mailed to William Wiles, Secretary, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, 20th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20551. Comments addressed to Mr. Wiles also may be delivered to Room B-2222 of the Eccles Building between 8:45 a.m. and 5:15 p.m. weekdays, or to the guard station in the Eccles Building courtyard on 20th Street N.W. (between Constitution Avenue and C Street N.W.) at any time. Comments received will be available for inspection in Room MP-500 of the Martin Building between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. weekdays, except as provided in 12 CFR 261.9 of the Board's Rules Regarding the Availability of Information.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Oliver Ireland, Associate General Counsel (202) 452-3625, Gregory Baer,

Managing Senior Counsel (202) 452-3236, or Scott Holz, Senior Attorney (202) 452-2966, Legal Division; for the hearing impaired only, Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD), Dorothea Thompson (202) 452-3544.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On November 26, 1996, the Board requested comment on amendments to its margin regulations, Regulations G, T, and U (61 FR 60168).

By order of the Secretary of the Board, acting pursuant to delegated authority for the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, December 17, 1996.

William W. Wiles,

*Secretary of the Board.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### 14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. 94-SW-28-AD]

#### Airworthiness Directives; Bell Helicopter Textron, Inc. Model 214ST Helicopters

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

**SUMMARY:** This document proposes the adoption of a new airworthiness directive (AD) that is applicable to Bell Helicopter Textron, Inc. (BHTI) Model 214ST helicopters. This proposal would require creation of a component history card using a Retirement Index Number (RIN) system; would establish a system for tracking increases to the accumulated RIN; and would establish a maximum accumulated RIN for the pillow block bearing bolts (bearing bolts). This proposal is prompted by fatigue analyses and tests that show certain bearing bolts fail sooner than originally anticipated because of the unanticipated high number of takeoffs and external load lifts utilizing high-power settings in addition to the time-in-service (TIS) accrued under other operating conditions. The actions specified by the proposed AD are intended to prevent fatigue failure of the bearing bolts, which could result in failure of the main rotor system and subsequent loss of control of the helicopter.

**DATES:** Comments must be received by February 21, 1997.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments in triplicate to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Office of the Assistant Chief Counsel, Attention: Rules Docket No. 94-SW-28-AD, 2601 Meacham Blvd., Room 663, Fort Worth, Texas 76137. Comments may be inspected at this location between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

The service information referenced in the proposed rule may be obtained from Bell Helicopter Textron, Inc., Product Support Department, P.O. Box 482, Fort Worth, Texas, 76101.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Charles Harrison, Aerospace Engineer, FAA, Rotorcraft Certification Office, Rotorcraft Directorate, Fort Worth, Texas 76193-0170, telephone (817) 222-5447, fax (817) 222-5959.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Comments Invited

Interested persons are invited to participate in the making of the proposed rule by submitting such written data, views, or arguments as they may desire. Communications should identify the Rules Docket number and be submitted in triplicate to the address specified above. All communications received on or before the closing date for comments, specified above, will be considered before taking action on the proposed rule. The proposals contained in this notice may be changed in light of the comments received.

Comments are specifically invited on the overall regulatory, economic, environmental, and energy aspects of the proposed rule. All comments submitted will be available, both before and after the closing date for comments, in the Rules Docket for examination by interested persons. A report summarizing each FAA-public contact concerned with the substance of this proposal will be filed in the Rules Docket.

Commenters wishing the FAA to acknowledge receipt of their comments submitted in response to this notice must submit a self-addressed, stamped postcard on which the following statement is made: "Comments to Docket No. 94-SW28-AD." The postcard will be date stamped and returned to the commenter.

##### Availability of NPRMs

Any person may obtain a copy of this NPRM by submitting a request to the FAA, Office of the Assistant Chief Counsel, Attention: Rules Docket No. 94-SW-28-AD, 2601 Meacham Blvd., Room 663, Fort Worth, Texas 76137.